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**AMENDMENT and RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Dear Sir,

This is in response to the Office Action (for restriction only), Paper No. 5, which was remailed to the undersigned agent on February 10, 2000, the period of one month for responding thereto being restarted to begin on the remailing date of February 10, 2000.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 37-40 without prejudice or disclaimer thereof, and amend claims 1, 2, 4, 7, 8 and 41 as follows: